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City, School District and Community Celebrate 5th Annual *Dads Take Your Child to School Day*: Tuesday, September 16th


White Plains, NY - September 10, 2014. On Tuesday, September 16th, White Plains dads are expected to come out in full force to participate in the City's 5th Annual *Dads Take Your Child to School Day*. The City of White Plains has become one of the leading participants in this event in New York State. Mayor Roach will be bringing his two sons to school that day. The Roach boys attend Eastview Middle School and White Plains High School. Mayor Roach said, "The education of our youth is the most important investment we can make. When we educate our children, we educate our nation. It is so important that fathers and father figures be actively involved in their children's lives. Participating in *Dads Take Your Child to School Day*" is one small but significant way to do that."

Timothy P. Connors, interim Superintendent of Schools said, "Participation in this event helps reinforce to children that education is a priority. This program is also an opportunity for dads to volunteer, sign up for school activities, meet their child's teachers and the school principal."

Frank Williams, Jr. Executive Director, White Plains Youth Bureau, is encouraging all fathers and father figures (uncles, grandparents, cousins, trusted family friends) to participate. "The bottom line is that when children feel good about their family, their community and themselves, success is almost always assured," said Mr. Williams.

This program is supported by the White Plains School District PTA Council, the African American Men of Westchester, the White Plains Cares Coalition and Hudson Health Care.

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Dads Take Your Child to School Day!

**Tuesday,
Sept. 16, 2014**

In All White Plains Public Schools



Sponsored by the White Plains Youth Bureau, White Plains School District, White Plains PTA, and the African American Men of Westchester

Today's youth need positive role models in their lives and in their communities. When a father, or father figure, gets involved in a child's life, they perform better in school, have higher confidence, and exhibit positive behavior.

Benefits of a father's involvement are:

Academics:

- Students get better grades and are less likely to repeat a grade
- Children are more engaged in school activities
- The school dropout rate decreases

Social Skills:

- Children display self-control
- Students are able to manage stressful situations
- Students have higher self-esteem and better problem-solving skills

Program begins at the start of the school day.

For more information, contact the
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Día Que Padres Llevan a sus Hijos a la Escuela!

**Martes,
16 de septiembre, 2014**

En todas las escuelas públicas de White Plains



Patrocinado por el Depto. de Juventud de White Plains, el Distrito Escolar de White Plains, el PTA de White Plains y por la organización Hombres Afro-Americanos de Westchester

Los jóvenes de hoy necesitan modelos positivos en sus vidas y su comunidad. Cuando una figura paterna se involucra en la vida de sus niños, ellos tienen mejores resultados en la escuela, mayor confianza en sí mismos y demuestran un comportamiento positivo.

Los beneficios de la participación de los padres son:

Académicos:

- Los estudiantes obtienen mejores calificaciones y baja la probabilidad de repetir un año escolar
- Los niños disfrutan de actividades escolares
- La probabilidad de abandonar la escuela disminuye

Habilidades Sociales:

- Los niños despliegan control de sí mismos
- Los estudiantes pueden manejar situaciones estresantes
- Los estudiantes tienen la autoestima más alta y son mejores capaces de resolver problemas

El programa comienza al principio del día escolar.

Para más información, llame al
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